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For:

Redundant Seal Design for Composite

Risers with Metal Liners

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PETITION TO CORRECT CORRESPONDENCE FILING DATE FOR "DATE-IN" INCORRECTLY ENTERED OR OMITTED ON EXPRESS MAIL LABEL (37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d)) AND REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

Commissioner:

Applicant respectfully submits this Petition to accord the correspondence in the aboveidentified application a filing date of **December 5**, 2001, which is the date the correspondence was deposited with the United States Postal Service (USPS), as Express Mail, Post Office to Addressee. with proper postage. Attached is a copy of the official Filing Receipt received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office showing an incorrect filing date of December 10, 2001 in the above

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application for which issuance of a corrected filing receipt showing the correct filing date of December 5, 2001 is respectfully requested.

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d)(1) for establishing when the discrepancy was discovered and that this Petition is being filed promptly thereafter, the undersigned submits the following statements. Upon receipt of the return postcard on December 18, 2001, the incorrect filing date of December 10, 2001 as indicated on the postcard was noted and the file was docketed to correct the filing date. It is the undersigned's practice to review the filing information contained on the USPTO return postcard but to not take action and request correction until receipt and review of the official Filing Receipt. Upon receipt of the Filing Receipt on January 18, 2002, it was established that the USPTO had entered the incorrect filing date and Applicant therefore makes this request for correction.

The undersigned further submits that at the time of depositing the correspondence with the USPS, it was the undersigned's understanding and belief that the USPS had suspended Express Mail Service for mail addressed to Zip Codes 202xx through 205xx and had established the following address to be used as an alternative to the address set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.1:

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and that correspondence addressed to that address would be treated as if it were addressed as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.1. Therefore, the correspondence was correctly addressed.

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d)(2), attached is a true copy of the Utility Patent Application Transmittal and Patent Application Cover Sheet, both of which show that the correspondence was mailed as Express Mail Label No. EL 921453434 US on December 5, 2001,

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and that the number of the Express Mail was placed thereon prior to the original mailing. Also enclosed is a copy of the return postcard showing a mailing date of December 5, 2001.

To establish the showing required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(d)(3), attached is a copy of the

Express Mail mailing label. Although the USPS personnel neglected to fill in the "Date In," it did

place its official notification stamp indicating the date and station of deposit, indicating December

5, 2001 as the date of deposit. Applicant further attaches its Express Mail Log Sheet that came into

being within one business day of the deposit of the correspondence in the "Express Mail Post Office

to Addresses" service of the USPS showing a mailing date of December 5, 2001. Applicant further

attaches a copy of the Express Mail Corporate Account Mailing Statement also showing a mailing

date of December 5, 2001.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests that this Petition be granted,

that the application be accorded a filing date of December 5, 2001, and that a corrected Filing

Receipt be issued.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the petition fee of \$130.00 (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h))

or credit any overpayment for this Petition to PTO Account No. 03-2769, Conley, Rose & Tayon.

A duplicate of this petition is enclosed.

Date: 4-16-02

Respectfully submitted,

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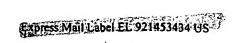
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This will acknowledge receipt in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of Utility Patent Application Transmittal, Specification and Abstract (21 pages), Informal Drawings (5 sheets, Figs 1-8), Fee Transmittal, Declaration (1 page), Application Data Sheet (1 page), Assignment (2 pages), Recordation Cover Sheet (1 page), and this postcard receipt mailed by U.S. Postal Service as Express mail, Express Mail Mailing 1 Label EL 221453434 US, postage prepaid on December 5, 2001





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